

MEETING NOTES

Governor's Forest Health OVERSIGHT & ADVISORY COUNCILS

Thursday, July 8th, 2004, 9:30 a.m.
Black Canyon Conference Center
9440 N. 25th Avenue - Phoenix, AZ 85021

- 1) Call to order
 - a. 9:40 a.m.
- 2) Review and vote on minutes from the **6.10.04** meeting
 - a. Mr. Moore moves approval
 - b. Ms. Zimmerman seconds
 - i. Motion passes
- 3) Subcommittees
 - a. Reports – Subcommittees should keep an 'OPEN ISSUES' list going to keep track of issues that need to be addressed.
 - i. Utilization & Commerce – Marty Moore
 - ii. Land Use & Wildland Fire – Don Falk
 1. **August will bring a first draft of white paper**
 - a. **ACTION ITEM**
 - iii. Mapping & Assessment – Kathy Hemenway
 1. Today's meeting of subcommittee will focus on the Community Wildfire Protection plans. Starting AZ FIRE MAP, finances are underway.
 - iv. Monitoring & Evaluation – Ed Smith
 1. GOALS of SUB:
 - a. Joint Fire Sciences to id funding need
 - b. Need to work with Lori to get the letter out
 - c. Feels that we need an element of legislative recommendation that will encourage private landowners to do fuels reduction
 - i. That recommendation should have funding elements dealt with
 - v. Zoning & Implementation – Mayor Joe Donaldson
 1. Need feedback on the Flagstaff document and its usefulness.
 - a. Place the document on website
 - i. **ACTION ITEM**
 2. Would like direction on next steps for the subcommittee
 - vi. Policy – Lori Faeth
 1. Update on the KAET Horizon program filming.
 - vii. Education – Michael Neal
 - viii. FH TASK BENEFITS Patty Duff
 1. Job credits won't be in effect until FY05
 2. Determine parameters of eligibility
 - a. Steps of eligibility and qualification
 - b. What types and scope and volume of businesses
 - c. Processes and MOU should be completed
- 4) Discussion and review of grant Economic Utilization Guiding Principles
 - a. Brief presentation on small diameter product marketing
 - i. DEFERED UNTIL AUGUST
- 5) Forest Service presentation on White Mountain Stewardship Contract
 - a. Elaine Zieroff, District Forester – Apache Sitgraves NF
 - b. Process, criteria, and timeline for bid award, and
 - c. Vision of the role of collaboration in decision-making surrounding both bid awarding process and subsequent determination of acres and treatments

- 6) Future meeting dates and locations
 - a. Summer 2004 schedule
 - i. August 12th - Flagstaff
 - 1. back to separate meetings**
 - ii. September 9th - Summerhaven
 - iii. October 14th - Williams
 - iv. November 11th - **Safford**
 - 1. ACTION ITEM - Marty**
- 7) Getting the word out to the public on Fire Wise
 - a. Bruce Nillson of McMurry Company
 - i. SEE WEBSITE for presentation
 1. will seek official endorsement from the Council
 2. will seek endorsement from the Governor
 - a. Concerns about the 'fire suppression' stigma
 - b. Response is that the content of the presentation is only an example. The council would be responsible for text
 - c. Moving this to the Policy Subcommittee**
 - i. ACTION ITEM**
- 8) Community Wildfire Protection Plan for At-Risk Communities Within the Sitgraves National Forest
 - a. Richard Remington - Logan Simpson Design, INC.
 - i. SEE WEBSITE for presentation and document
 1. BOS Chairman, City manager present document
 2. \$70,000 was the total cost of the plan
 3. Considerable discussion on the CWPPs and the downside of checkerboard plans and defensible datasets. 'devil's in the details'
 4. On Pinetop/Lakeside's website, will be placed on FHC website
 - a. Greatest value may not be your highest risk
- 9) Analysis of Outcomes for Council Recommendations
 - a. Detailed analysis of previous Recommendations
 - b. Plan joint mtg of FHC with the legislature – for purpose of education
 - c. Don't drop because its tough, its tough because its important
 - d. Permissive language is important
 - e. Forest health isn't being addressed fully.
 - f. Statewide Restoration Plan
 - g. State Forest Health Assessment? - Advisory Council may want to undertake for purpose of education of legislature
 - i. State of the Forests – 10 slide presentation of main messages (Current situations that are out there) – Priority of our forests
 - h. **KIRK – Price tag of new office**
 - i. Will tell us what things cost
 - i. **DEB – Areas where counties feel more authority is needed**
 - i. ACTION ITEM**
 - j. Gaps in the analysis will then be discussed at the POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE meeting (upcoming)
 - i. Specific speakers, then legislation drafting – No later than September 1st '04
- 10) Call to the Public
- 11) Next Meeting:
 - a. National Portfolio Standards
 - b. IOF?
 - c. Funding discussion
 - d. Political strategy
 - e. Guiding Principles – Economic
 - i. Mark Spitzer (Biomass) – Corp. Commission
- 12) Adjournment

- a. Chair moved
- b. 1:45 p.m.

Dated this 7th day of July 2004 - Governor's Forest Health Councils

CO-CHAIRS

Beth Zimmerman – Department of Emergency and Military Affairs
Taylor McKinnon – Grand Canyon Trust

<http://www.governor.state.az.us/FHC/>

Diane Vosick – Ecological Restoration Institute, NAU
Rep. Tom O'Halleran – Arizona House of Representatives